

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A viewing panel device, such as a mirror device used inside a motor vehicle for observing an infant in a rear-facing child safety seat secured to the rear seat of the vehicle. In one embodiment, a support structure is attached to a rear surface of the viewing panel. In a more particular embodiment, the support structure includes a bottom panel having a top surface and a bottom surface that can contact the seat back top surface, and a diagonal support element that extends between the rear surface of the viewing panel at an upper end of the support element and the top surface of the bottom panel at a lower end of the support element. In another embodiment, the viewing panel device may be employed in a plurality of attachment configurations, for use with a plurality of possible vehicle configurations. In one configuration, the top tether anchorage point included in newer vehicles as part of the LATCH anchorage point system is employed.